



# **SITE INSPECTION REPORT**

## **BOISE CASCADE COMPANY**

**Yakima, Washington**

**WAD980185805**

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PHASE ONE SITE INSPECTION REPORT

BOISE CASCADE  
YAKIMA COUNTY  
YAKIMA, WASHINGTON  
WAD980185805

SEPTEMBER, 1987

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Boise Cascade - Yakima Site  
Yakima County, Washington  
WAD980185805

Site Name/Address

Boise Cascade - Yakima Site  
805 North 7th Street  
Yakima, Washington 98901

Investigation Participants

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Principal Site Contacts

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P.O. Box 8328  
Boise, ID 83707  
(208) 384-6458

Dick Godfrey  
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(509) 453-3131

Date of Inspection

August 1, 1986

## Introduction

Boise Cascade-Yakima has been identified by the Region X Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) from Preliminary Assessment (PA) screening as requiring additional information to accurately profile the nature and extent of past waste disposal activities. According to the 1984 PA, 9000 pounds of caustic material was landfilled on-site. This report summarizes the results of Ecology's phase one site inspection and is divided into the following sections:

- 1.0 Site Owner/Operator
- 2.0 Site History and Background of Operations
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Note: This narrative section was revised in September 1987 by Hector Douglas.



### 1.0 Site Owner and Operator

This facility is owned and operated by the Timber and Wood Products Group of Boise Cascade Company, 805 North 7th Street, Yakima, Washington 98901.

Headquarters: P.O. Box 8328  
Boise, ID 83707  
(208) 384-6458

### 2.0 Site History and Background of Operations

This facility is a lumber mill and plywood/veneer manufacturer with large log storage areas. It is estimated that this facility has been in operation since the 1940s.

In 1981, a 103(c) notification filed by Boise indicated that asbestos insulation and 9,000 pounds of mixed caustics were landfilled on-site. These wastes were disposed of along with sludges and ash from air stripper and boilers. Waste water from the plywood plant goes to an evaporation pond which is unlined. Boise also has a NPDES permit for discharge to city sewers.

### 3.0 Environmental Setting

The Boise Cascade-Yakima site is located at 805 North 7th Street, Yakima, Washington 98901.

Latitude: 463730.0      Longitude: 1203625.0  
Section 18, Township 13 North, Range 19, East Willamette Meridian.

The site is located in a mixed residential/commercial area of Northeast Yakima adjacent to the Yakima River. There are three parks and five schools within one mile.<sup>1</sup>

There are several large process buildings on-site and approximately 3-4 acres of log storage yards. The total size of the site is estimated to be approximately 15 acres.

#### 3.1 Climate

This area receives approximately eight inches of total precipitation annually with a mean annual lake evaporation of 42 inches.<sup>2</sup> Approximately 75 percent of the precipitation falls in the period of October through March. The average temperature during December, 1984 was 20.1°F and during August, 1984 it was 69°F.<sup>3</sup> The highest temperature during 1984 was on July 25, at 99°F and the lowest was December 18 at -10°F.<sup>3</sup>

### 3.2 Geology and Hydrology

Well logs indicate the immediate area is underlain by a sandy gravelly loam on top of a cemented sand and gravel referred to in some well logs as conglomerate. Soil permeability is high. Water yields in these gravels is relatively low but adequate for domestic needs. The major aquifer is in the Yakima Basalt which underlie the sands and gravel and is swift moving.

The water table is shallow ( 20 feet), mainly because of extensive irrigation in the area during the summer, and also influx from creeks draining the mountains. Ground water flow is believed to be to the southeast toward the Yakima River.<sup>4</sup>

Directions of ground water flow can change as often as four times in a year, because of seasonal changes in precipitation and irrigation, according to Kim Sherwood of Ecology's Central Regional Office (CRO).

### 3.3 Topography and Drainage

There is approximately 0% site facility slope. Boise has an NPDES permit, WA-00D141-4, for discharge of process waters to the Yakima River, Segment 18-37-92. Boise also has a permitted discharge to the city sanitary sewer system.

There are records of violation in Ecology files of BOD/COD and occasionally pH and temperature for sewer discharge.

There is an on-site drainage collection system which recycles water from log yard sprinkling. The log storage area is not paved so a certain amount of this acidic runoff seeps into the soil.

### 3.4 Ground Water and Surface Water Uses

The nearest well is an artesian well on site; this is 1000 feet deep.<sup>1</sup> There are some shallow wells in the near vicinity which are less than 69 feet deep.<sup>1</sup> There are approximately 360 public and private wells within three miles of the site, serving greater than 7,000 people.<sup>5,6</sup>

The Yakima River is directly east and northeast of the site. This river is used for recreation, drinking water, and irrigation. Drinking water uptakes are greater than three miles downstream or upstream of the site.

Boise discharges permitted process water from the plywood, saw mill, and log storage yard into the Yakima River.



#### 4.0 Ecology Site Inspection

On August 1, 1986, Suzanne E. Milham, Ecology, performed a Phase One Site Inspection of the Boise Cascade-Yakima site. The inspection began at 11:00 a.m., the weather was hot, 92°F and sunny.

A personal interview was conducted with Dick Godfrey, Regional Engineer, and Jim Jackson, Environmental Engineer of Boise Cascade, to discuss the environmental concerns raised in the 1984 Preliminary Assessment (PA). The concerns in this assessment centered around an on-site landfill in which approximately 9000 pounds of caustic (sodium hydroxide) was buried.

Boise said that this disposal was a one time event necessitated by the overheating of a caustic storage tank. This caused a 50% aqueous solution of caustic to harden into a semi-solid gel, rendering it unusable as a plywood glue catalyst. The caustic was removed from the tank and hauled to a location in the log yard about 600 feet from the plywood plant (Figure 3).

On June 9, 1981, Boise Cascade Corporation notified the U.S. EPA, pursuant to Section 103c of CERCLA, of past (prior to November 1980) hazardous wastes disposal practices at Boise's Yakima wood products complex. The notification was for disposal of about three cubic yards of asbestos and 9000 pounds of sodium hydroxide.

In response to Ecology's concerns over this waste disposal and the potential for resulting ground water contamination from the caustic, Boise Cascade sampled soils "at the best estimated location of the caustic disposal site." Boise's report of this investigation is contained in Appendix A. On June 25, 1985, five test holes were excavated around the area of the landfill. Grab samples of soil from varying depths were tested for pH. A high pH could be indicative of soil contamination with caustic. Most of these samples were slightly to moderately acidic. The highest pH test, 7.59, would be considered slightly alkaline.

Jim Jackson and Dick Godfrey said that they believe that acidic runoff, which contains lignins and tannins from log pile watering, had probably counteracted any alkalinity. It was impossible to view the area of the fill and Boise's investigation because it was being used for log storage.

The PA also raises some concerns about landfilling of ash from an air stripper. Boise says that this ash is actually not from an air stripper, but from a boiler scrubber. This boiler scrubber ash is a waste product resulting from the use of bark as a fuel in an on-site boiler. The bark is mechanically removed from ponderosa pine and fed into the boiler. No toxicity data is available on this waste. This boiler ash or sludge is being landfilled on site (2500 cubic yards/year) along with log-yard wastes, (40,000 cubic yards/year), and this landfill is expected to fill and close in two years (Gretchen Hoy -- personal communication). The landfill is operating without a permit. However, according to Boise Cascade, an inquiry in 1982 determined that a permit was not necessary, and they have not been contacted

regarding this matter since until the late stages of this report. They are now, according to Kim Sherwood, Ecology, Central Regional Office, in the process of obtaining a permit.

The final concern raised by the PA was that waste water from the plant, containing urea formaldehyde based glues, is discharged into an unlined pond on-site. Mr. Jackson said that the glue for this process is made by reacting formaldehyde with phenols which binds up all of these available product into glue. He also said that the water from the glue process is not discharged but is recycled into the process and used again. The unlined pond does receive wastewater discharges from the site and stormwater runoff, which it conducts to the City of Yakima sewage system. There has been at least one instance of a solution of highly caustic soda discharge to this pond (see Sherwood memo, July 6, 1987 - Appendix A) and one instance of a load of what appeared to be green paint in the pond (Kim Sherwood, personal observation). This pond is enclosed by a six-foot, chain-link fence, and another fence encloses the site property time.

The present day operations of the plywood mill were not addressed in this inspection since they are covered under RCRA.



## 5.0 Results and Discussion

There are believed to be no serious risks associated with past burial of hazardous materials on-site at Boise Cascade. Asbestos insulation which was buried poses no environmental or health threat, as long as it remains covered with soil. Boise Cascade sampled soil "at the best estimated location of the caustic disposal site," and found no aberrant pH effects in the surrounding soil. However, there is no proof that the site was actually found. The area is currently being used for log storage. It is believed that acidic runoff from the logs, which are frequently sprinkled to deter degradation of the wood, will neutralize caustic leaching from this waste (Kim Sherwood, CRO). It is no known whether sodium levels have been elevated in ground water because of this buried material (9000# sodium hydroxide).

Boiler ash disposal of on-site may contain small quantities of heavy metals. No toxicity data is available on this waste, although a plant engineer has estimated the volume landfilled on-site at 2500 cubic yards a year (personal communication, Gretchen Hoy).

Boise contends that plywood glue process water is recycled and not discharged into the unlined evaporation pond; process diagrams also indicated this. They also maintain that the hazardous constituents of these glues are bound up during formulation and are no longer hazardous once mixed. Ecology files record violations of BOD/COD, and a large volume of caustic soda solution was discharged into the unlined pond and sewer system by the plant around March 28 of this year. Also an unknown volume of green paint was disposed of in this manner.

However, there was no evidence of hazardous waste storage and/or disposal on-site during this inspection.



#### 6.0 Conclusions and Recommendations

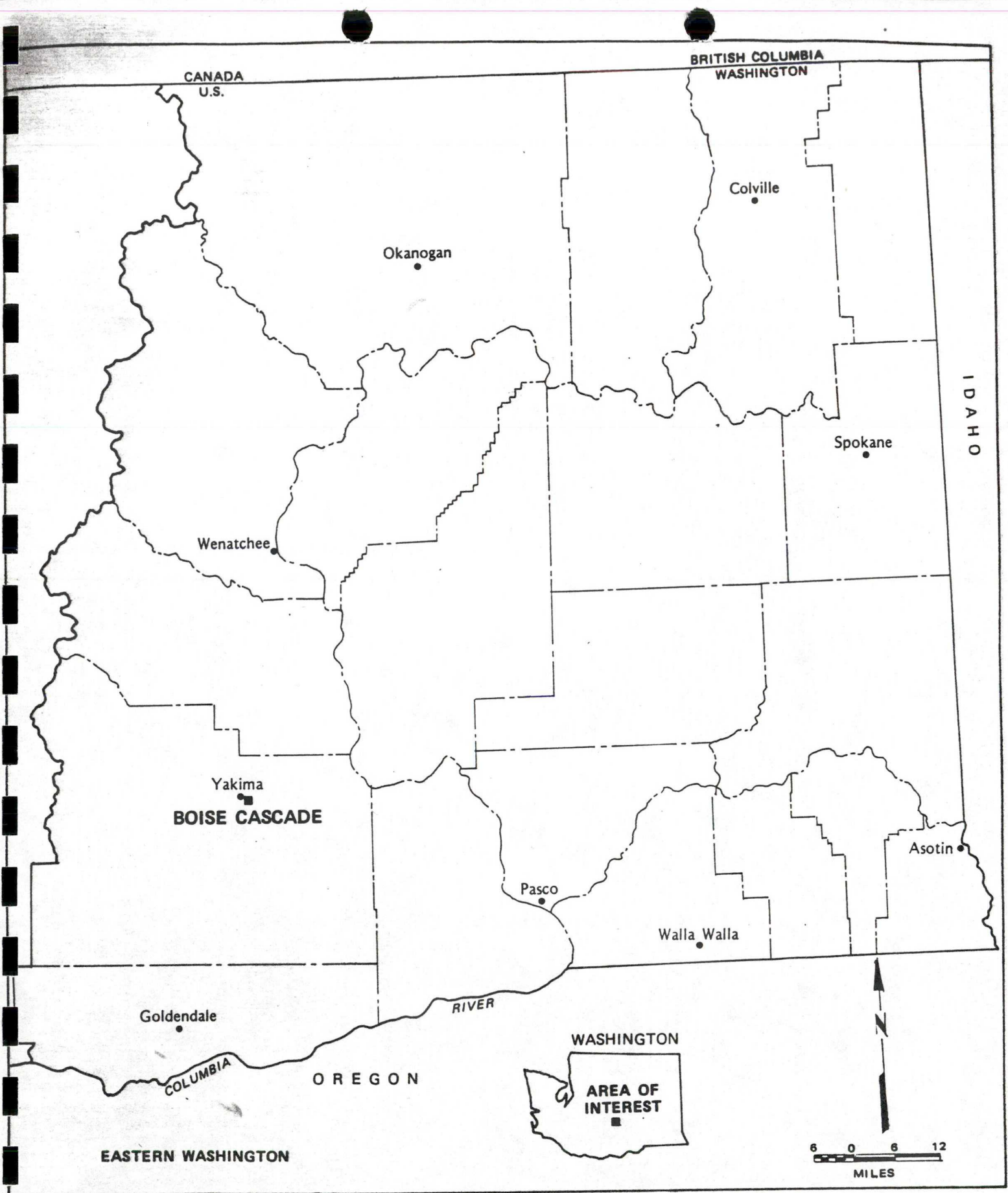
Boise Cascade is working with Ecology's Central Regional Office to comply with state regulations in the operation of their woodwaste landfill. As part of that process, they will characterize the boiler ash under Washington State's Dangerous Waste regulations.

A concrete lining and manhole cover for the presently unlined evaporation pond would ensure that it is not open to dumping and not a source of ground water problems in the future.

There is no need for further CERCLA evaluations or actions at this facility. A current RCRA and/or Ecology regional site inspection should be carried out to determine if present operations surrounding ash disposal and the plywood mill are in order.

### References

1. 1984 USEPA Preliminary Assessment Report.
2. Climate Atlas of the United States (i.e., Department of Commerce, 1986)
3. Climatological Data Annual Summary Washington, 1984, Volume 88, #13.
4. Personal Communications with Dennis Bowhay, CRO, Ecology.
5. Ecology Well Logs.
6. 1980 Federal Census.



LOCATION MAP, BOISE CASCADE, YAKIMA COUNTY, WASHINGTON.

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Director



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DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY

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July 24, 1986

Mr. Greg Duff  
Boise Cascade Company  
805 N. 7th Street  
Yakima, WA 98901

Dear Mr. Duff:

Pursuant to our recent telephone conversation, I would like to confirm our scheduled meeting on August 1 at 10:00 a.m.

I am enclosing a copy fo the EPA Site Inspection Form 2070-13 for your review. Please complete to the best of your knowledge/ability sections 4.II, 8, 9, and 10, where applicable.

You will receive a copy of the entire report when it has been through our review process, and finalized by EPA.

I appreciate your cooperation and look forward to meeting you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Suzanne Milham", is written over the typed name.

Suzanne Milham  
Hazardous Waste Cleanup Program

SM:jv

Enclosure



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MEMORANDUM

August 19, 1986

TO: The Boise Cascade File  
WAD980185805

FROM: Suzanne E. Milham *SM*

SUBJECT: Phase I Site Inspection

On August 1, 1986, I performed a site inspection at the Boise Cascade Company in Yakima, Washington. The weather was hot, 92 degrees and sunny. I arrived at Boise at 11:00 a.m. and met with Dick Godfrey, Regional Engineer and Jim Jackson, the Group Engineer to discuss the 1984 Preliminary Assessment.

The concerns in this assessment center around an onsite landfill in which approximately 9000 pounds of caustic was buried. Boise said that the dumping of this caustic was a one time only event, which occurred when the caustic gelled, making it unuseable. Boise has since done significant sampling of the soil in the area of this landfill. No excess of alkalinity was detected. Jim Jackson and Dick Godfrey said that they believed that the acidic runoff which contains lignins and tanins from log pile watering has probably counteracted any alkalinity, which was present in the soil from the caustic. I could not see the area of this landfill or the sample locations because they were covered up with large piles of logs. This area is now being used as a log store yard, as is much of the property.

The Preliminary Assessment also raises some concerns about landfilling of ash from an air stripper, which may contain heavy metals. Boise says that this ash is actually not from an air stripper but from a boiler scrubber. Boise also had results from EP toxicity tests which showed these ashes to be non-toxic to fish.

The Preliminary Assessment mentioned that waste water from the plant containing urea-formaldehyde based glues and phenols is discharged on site. Boise contends that the glue is made by reacting the formaldehyde with the phenols which binds up all of the available products into the glue. Boise says that the water from the glue process is not discharged but is recycled into the process and used again. Boise also says that this water does not contain any phenol or formaldehyde.

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MEMORANDUM

DEPT. OF ECOLOGY  
OLYMPIA, WA.

TO: Ned Therien  
FROM: Dennis Bowhay *DB*  
SUBJECT: Boise Cascade Corp. - Superfund Notification  
DATE: November 8, 1985

I have enclosed a copy of the rationale Boise Cascade has put together for reducing the priority on their priority assessment rating. I've already explained to Jim Jackson that regardless of the priority there will probably be a site investigation on the site. He doesn't have a problem with that.

I agree with Boise Cascade that because of the moderately acidic soil (caused by irrigation percolation from the log storage) that the caustic would be neutralized over time. I also agree that considering the site in total that the relative risk from the caustic disposal is very small. There is some question of whether or not the soil samples were taken at the exact location of the caustic disposal site since they were basing the location on the recollection of workers. I do question whether or not the site deserves a medium priority and would support consideration of lowering the priority to a low priority. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

DB:ska

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*Dennis says no response needed.  
Ned Therien*



Timber and Wood Products Group

Boise Cascade

Environmental and Energy Services  
P.O. Box 8328  
Boise, Idaho 83707  
208/384-6458

November 6, 1985

Mr. Dennis Bowhay  
Washington Department of Ecology  
3601 West Washington Avenue  
Yakima, WA 98903

Subject: Boise Cascade Corporation -- Yakima, Washington

Dear Dennis:

On June 12, 1985, I met with you to discuss Boise Cascade's Yakima plant site Superfund Notification. At that time, we were performing soil explorations in the area of the caustic disposal site. Enclosed is a copy of "Superfund Notification -- Reclassification Request," which contains the results of our explorations. As discussed in greater detail in the enclosed document, Boise Cascade requests that its priority assessment rating be reclassified to "none" based on the findings of the exploration and the characteristics of the site.

Please advise, at your earliest convenience, as to the Department's determination concerning our request.

If you have any questions, please feel free to give me a call.

Yours truly,

James C. Jackson, PE  
Environmental Engineer

JCJ/T75284Ef

Enclosure

cc: Dick Godfrey -- Yakima  
Brian King -- Boise

SUPERFUND NOTIFICATION -- RECLASSIFICATION REQUEST

BOISE CASCADE CORPORATION

TIMBER AND WOOD PRODUCTS GROUP

YAKIMA, WASHINGTON -- WOOD PRODUCTS COMPLEX

NOVEMBER 1985

Prepared By: Environmental and Energy Services

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A. INTRODUCTION

On June 9, 1981, Boise Cascade Corporation (BCC) notified the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), pursuant to Section 103 C of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (Superfund), of past (prior to November 1980) hazardous waste disposal practices at BCC's Yakima Wood Products Complex. The Notification was for disposal of about three cubic yards of asbestos and 9,000 pounds of sodium hydroxide (caustic).

A Potential Hazardous Waste Site Preliminary Assessment was completed on November 20, 1984, by the Washington Department of Ecology (WDOE) in conjunction with EPA and JRB Associates of Bellevue, Washington. The Preliminary Assessment assigned a "medium" priority assessment to BCC's Yakima plant site. A "medium" ranking is assigned when a potential health hazard or environmental threat is suspected based on evidence from sampling, from direct observation by a regulatory agency or site operator or from a history of problems at the site. The Preliminary Assessment did not consider asbestos to be a significant problem. The principal reason stated for the "medium" ranking was potential groundwater contamination from caustic.

Because of the concern over potential groundwater contamination from the caustic, Boise Cascade performed additional investigations which are the subject of subsequent sections of this report.

B. CAUSTIC DISPOSAL DETAILS

Disposal of 9,000 pounds of caustic at the Yakima plant site was a one-time event which was necessitated by the overheating of a caustic storage tank. This caused a 50% aqueous solution of caustic to harden into a semisolid gel, rendering it unusable as a plywood glue catalyst. The caustic was removed from the storage tank and hauled to a location in the log yard about 600 feet south of the plywood plant (see attached Site Plan -- Test Hole No. 1). A shallow excavation (estimated less than three feet) was created, and the caustic was placed in the excavation. The excavation was then backfilled with the material initially removed.

C. SOIL SAMPLING PROGRAM

On June 12, 1985, five test holes were excavated as shown on the attached Site Plan. Test Hole No. 1 was placed at the best estimated location of the caustic disposal site. Test Holes 2 through 5 were placed at 90° intervals around a circle of 100-foot radius with Test Hole No. 1 being the center. Each Test Hole location was then excavated. Grab samples of soil from varying depths were tested for pH. A high pH could be indicative of soil contamination with caustic. The results of the pH analyses are presented in Table No. 1.



Table No. 1  
Soil pH Results  
Caustic Disposal Site

<u>Hole No.</u>	<u>Depth (Ft.)</u>	<u>pH</u>
1	5	6.11
	8	6.40
	13	5.89
2	4	4.82
	9	7.11
3	5	5.83
	10	5.94
4	4	6.21
	8	5.92
5	4	7.08
	8	7.59

As can be seen from the pH test results, most samples were slightly to moderately acidic. The highest pH test (7.59) would be considered only slightly alkaline.

D. REQUEST FOR RECLASSIFICATION

The "medium" priority ranking is inappropriate because:

1. There is no sampling evidence of an environmental threat.
2. There has been no direct observation of an environmental threat by a regulatory agency or the site operator.
3. There is no history of problems at the site.

Boise Cascade Corporation requests that the priority ranking for the site be changed to "none" for the following reasons:

1. No evidence has been found to suspect an environmental problem at the site.
2. Soil at the site is moderately acidic and would be expected to neutralize the relatively small quantity of caustic disposed.

G STREET

N. 8<sup>TH</sup> STREET

VATS

PLYWOOD  
PLANT

LOG YARD

182° 30'

590' ± 5'

#5  
100'  
#1 100'-0" #2  
100'  
#3

YAKIMA, WASHINGTON  
SUPERFUND NOTIFICATION  
SITE PLAN

BOISE CASCADE CORPORATION  
CORPORATE ENGINEERING

SCALE 1" = 100'  
DR. RLR 10-8-85  
CH.

PROJECT DWS. NO.  
522

NO.	REVISION	BY	DATE	APP.



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October 23, 1986

Mr. Tom Owens  
MS EX-12  
Non-Game Data Systems

Dear Mr. Owens:

I am writing pursuant to our conversation of October 22, 1986 in regard to the endangered species habitat location information. I would like to know if there are any endangered species, or protected habitats within three miles of the coordinates of the following potential hazardous waste sites.

If possible, please designate if the species and their habitats are federally or state designated.

1. Weyerhaeuser Co. Box Plant, Olympia, Latitude: 47/10/56.  
Longitude: 122/46/32.
2. Whatcom County Acme Landfill, Acme, Latitude: 48/43/36.0.
3. Everson-Goshen Disposal Site, Everson, Latitude: 48/55/12.0.
4. The Thermal Reduction Company, Ferndale, Latitude: 48/49/09.0.
5. The Tri City Herald, Kennewick, Latitude: 46/12/55.0.
6. Boise Cascade Co., Yakima, Latitude: 46/37/30.0.
7. Allied Corp., Kennewick, Latitude: 46/10/33.0.
8. Tam Engineering, Tacoma, Latitude: 47/14/00.0. Longitude: 122/28/38.0.
9. Yakima Old City Landfill, Yakima, Latitude: 46/36/15.0.  
Longitude: 120/28/33.0.
10. Kenmar Company, Ferndale, Latitude: 48/51/34. Longitude: 122/42/12.

Mr. Tom Owens  
October 23, 1986  
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Please call me at 459-6319 if you have any questions or require more specific information. My mailing address is: MS-PV-11, Washington State Department of Ecology, Hazardous Waste Cleanup Program, 98504.

Thank you for your help.

Sincerely,

*Suzanne E. Milham*

Suzanne E. Milham  
Hazardous Waste Cleanup Program

SEM:bc



# Department of Natural Resources

Washington Natural Heritage Program  
Division of Private Forestry and Recreation  
Mail Stop: EX-13  
Olympia, Washington 98504  
(206) 753-2449

**BRIAN J. BOYLE**  
Commissioner of Public Lands

November 7, 1986

DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY  
NOV 12 1986

Suzanne Milham  
Department of Ecology  
Hazardous Waste Cleanup Program  
Mail Stop: PV-11  
Olympia, WA 98504-8711

Subject: Ten Potential Hazardous Waste Sites

We have completed a search of the Natural Heritage Data System for your study area. At this time we do not have data on special plant species or high quality native plant communities near the area you specified. Information on special animal species will be provided, under separate cover, by the Washington Department of Game, Nongame Program.

Please be aware that the Data System is not exhaustive. There may be special plants or native plant communities occurring in your study area that we do not yet know about. Therefore, this information is not to be taken as a complete inventory of the project area and does not eliminate the need or responsibility to conduct more thorough research.

Please cite the Natural Heritage Data System, as follows, if this letter is referenced in publications or correspondence by your office.

Natural Heritage Data System  
Washington Department of Natural Resources, Natural Heritage Program and  
Washington Department of Game, Nongame Program, Mail Stop: EX-13  
Olympia, WA 98504.

I hope this information will be useful to you. Please feel free to contract me at (206) 753-2449 or (SCAN: 8-234-2449), if you have any further questions.

Sincerely,

*Nancy Sprague*

Nancy Sprague  
Assistant Data Manager





TELEPHONE RECORD

Date August 31, 1987

Time 2:00 ☐ a.m. ☒ p.m.

☐ CALLED BY  
☒ CALLED

Mr./Ms. Gretchen Hoy

Telephone (208) 384-  
6458

Address Boise Cascade Headquarters

Representing Boise Cascade

Project Site Insepction Boise Cascade Yakima

Discussed Landfill practices, present and historical. According to 1982 estimates, waste production  
is as follows: 2,500 cu. yds./year - Sludge from boiler; 40,000 cu. yds./year - Log yard waste

A plant engineer believes that these figures also reflect present volumes.

These wastes are landfilled on site. The landfill is not permitted. According to Gretchen, the  
company last inquired in 1982. They were told that such a permit is not necessary. The law changed  
in 1985, but the company, she says, was not aware of it. Recently they learned of the change and are  
in the process of applying for such a permit. A trash separator is in the budget for 1989. The landfill  
area will be full in two years.

The 9000# of sodium hydroxide that hardened and was buried on site was never tested. It is the  
caustic additive to the glue.

All the SI says that boiassays were performed on scrubber ash, Gretchen cannot find any indicator of  
this in the records. She says that ash is landfilled on other sites though.

I inquired about the bark soaked with boiler ash that had been dumped not more than 10 feet from  
the Yakima River, near the highway bridge. She said that that area had been donated for a park, and  
that it had been filled in with alot of log yard debris.

She suggested we contact Dick Godffrey at the plant if we want tests performed on the ash.

Signed *Robert Douglas*

State of  
Washington  
Department  
of Ecology



TELEPHONE RECORD

Date July 6, 1987

Time 2:30 ☐ a.m. ☒ p.m.

☐ CALLED BY  
☐ CALLED

Mr./Ms. Kim Sherwood

Telephone (509) 457-  
7108

Address Central Regional Office, DOE  
Yakima, WA

Representing Central Regional Office/Department of Ecology

Project Boise Cascade/Yakima, Data for site inspection report and received information  
on recent spill incident.

Discussed I requested information on the disposal of boiler ash generated on site and any other pertinent  
information. Sherwood brought me up to date on a recent spill incident.

On the morning of Monday, March 30, the Yakima Municipal Sewage Treatment Plant notified Sherwood  
that the bacteria in the activated sludge was dying and that obviously a toxic concentration of some  
material was entering into the system.

Sherwood traced the problem to Boise Cascade via manholes. The company offered the following chronology-  
The problem began with the block vat in which logs are bathed with a caustic soda. The pH meter was  
broken and excessive amounts of potassium and sodium hydroxides were added, creating a very alkaline  
bath. The company claims that an employee noticed that there was too much water in the basin on the  
evening of Saturday, March 28. He pumped the solution into a storm catchwater basin which drained into  
the municipal sewage system. Many hours later, on Monday, when Boise Cascade sampled, the basin, they  
measured the pH as 11.0. It can be assumed that the pH of the solution that entered the sewer was at  
least as high.

Sherwood said that he was at first skeptical that as small amount of this material could produce  
such a heavy kill. However, he said that the caustic pumped over the wood had stripped the lignin of  
all hydrogen ions creating a sharper, buffered solution. Sherwood suggests that the pH might have risen  
as high as 12 or 13. He said that his investigation ascertained that there is no means for liquid escape  
in the process at Boise Cascade. There are three sewer discharge points at Boise Cascade including sanitary  
waste, a plywood glueing area and a process water collection area.

Boise Cascade told Sherwood that the boiler ash is not a hazardous waste, that it has been delisted  
and that they are burying it on site. Sherwood has asked the company to locate the landfill and to determine  
how much ash is buried there. (OVER)

*Robert Douglas*



Sherwood said that bark that has been soaked with boiler ash is dumped not more than 10 feet from the Yakima River. He will pass on more information as he obtains it and requested that I supply him with any information that I can on the nature of this boiler ash.





TELEPHONE REPORT

Call From: Gretchen Hoy  
Boise Cascade

Date: 9/14/87  
Time: 10:30 am pm  
(circle)

Phone No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Call To: Heaton Douglas

Subject: Unlined discharge pond

Summary: Boiler ash/sludge

Informed me that a 6 ft. high chain link fence had been erected around the pond 2 years ago and that a fence also enclosed the property line. She asked me to inquire w. solid waste about whether boiler sludge ash has been reclassified, which I will do on 9/14/87.

Signature Heaton Douglas

Date 9/14/87

ECY 010-46(a)



TELEPHONE REPORT

Call From: Brett Betts

Date: 9/15/87  
Time: 9 am pm  
(circle)

Phone No.: 459-6258

Call To: Heaton Douglas

Subject: Boise Cascade's Woodwaste Landfills

Summary: Wood waste landfills as of May/98 are required to provide leachate collection systems with liners

or a system of monitoring wells.

Boiler ash is usually not a dangerous waste.

Regulations require that an EP toxicity test for metals and a total metals test be done on the ash.

Signature Heaton Douglas

Date 9/15/87

ECY 010-46(a)





TELEPHONE REPORT

Call From:

Hector Douglas

Date:

July 14, 1987

Time:

am-pm  
(circle)

Phone No.:

Call To:

Subject:

I called:

Summary:

Dave Saunders,  
Ecology Hazardous Waste

Ecology Solid Waste

Art McEwan (509) 575-4258  
Yakima County Health District

Yakima County Solid Waste

John Hadikson

Community and Economic Development  
City of Yakima SCAN 278-6113

pertaining to delisting and permit for  
landfilling boiler ash at Boise Cascade.  
No information available from any of  
these sources.

Signature

Hector Douglas

ECY 010-46(a)

Date

7-14-87



TELEPHONE REPORT

Call From:

Dick Godfrey

Date: 9/8/87

Time: 1:45

am-pm  
(circle)

Phone No.:

(509) 453-3131

Call To:

Hector Douglas

Subject:

Boise Cascade - Yakima

Summary: 1)

What has been landfilled on site?

a) Sludge or scrubber ash from boiler - bark removed mechanically from  
ponderosa pine, used as fuel in a boiler. A wet scrubber in base of  
boiler removes the ash sludge.

b) Log yard waste - residue that falls off logs.

2) Has the landfill received old transformers, wood treating chemicals,  
hardened glue? NO

3) Is all glue waste recycled in process? YES

4) Have any hazardous materials been discharged to unlined collection  
pond? NO Caustic by accident in May but not considered hazardous.

Signature

ECY 010-46(a)

Date



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Inspection Report, September 1987



Region 10  
1200 Sixth Ave.  
Seattle, WA 98101





POTENTIAL HAZARDOUS WASTE SITE  
SITE INSPECTION REPORT  
PART 1 - SITE LOCATION AND INSPECTION INFORMATION

I. IDENTIFICATION

01 STATE WA 02 SITE NUMBER D980185805

II. SITE NAME AND LOCATION

01 SITE NAME (Legal, common, or descriptive name of site) Boise Cascade - Yakima Site  
02 STREET, ROUTE NO., OR SPECIFIC LOCATION IDENTIFIER 805 N. 7th Street  
03 CITY Yakima  
04 STATE WA 05 ZIP CODE 98901 06 COUNTY Yakima  
07 COUNTY CODE 077 08 CONG DIST 04  
09 COORDINATES  
LATITUDE 46373-0 LONGITUDE 1203625  
10 TYPE OF OWNERSHIP (Check one)  
☒ A. PRIVATE ☐ B. FEDERAL ☐ C. STATE ☐ D. COUNTY ☐ E. MUNICIPAL  
☐ F. OTHER ☐ G. UNKNOWN

III. INSPECTION INFORMATION

01 DATE OF INSPECTION 8 / 1 / 86  
MONTH DAY YEAR  
02 SITE STATUS  
☒ ACTIVE  
☐ INACTIVE  
03 YEARS OF OPERATION 1940's 1 Present  
BEGINNING YEAR ENDING YEAR  
04 AGENCY PERFORMING INSPECTION (Check all that apply)  
☐ A. EPA ☐ B. EPA CONTRACTOR (Name of firm)  
☒ E. STATE ☐ F. STATE CONTRACTOR (Name of firm)  
☐ C. MUNICIPAL ☐ D. MUNICIPAL CONTRACTOR (Name of firm)  
☐ G. OTHER (Specify)  
05 CHIEF INSPECTOR Suzanne E. Milham  
06 TITLE Environmentalist 3  
07 ORGANIZATION Ecology  
08 TELEPHONE NO. 206 438-3014  
09 OTHER INSPECTORS  
10 TITLE  
11 ORGANIZATION  
12 TELEPHONE NO.  
( )  
( )  
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( )  
13 SITE REPRESENTATIVES INTERVIEWED  
14 TITLE  
15 ADDRESS  
16 TELEPHONE NO.  
Dick Godfrey Regional Engineer P.O. Box 8228 Boise ID 83707 208 384-6458  
Jim Jackson Group Engineer 805 N. 7th Street Yakima, WA 98901 509 453-3131  
( )  
( )  
( )  
( )  
17 ACCESS GAINED BY (Check one)  
☒ PERMISSION  
☐ WARRANT  
18 TIME OF INSPECTION 11:00 AM  
19 WEATHER CONDITIONS Hot Sunny 92°F

IV. INFORMATION AVAILABLE FROM

01 CONTACT Suzanne E. Milham  
02 OF (Agency Organization) WA State Department of Ecology  
03 TELEPHONE NO. 206 438-3014  
04 PERSON RESPONSIBLE FOR SITE INSPECTION FORM Suzanne E. Milham  
05 AGENCY Ecology  
06 ORGANIZATION WA State  
07 TELEPHONE NO. 206-438- 3014  
08 DATE 01 22 / 87  
MONTH DAY YEAR





## EPA FORM 2070-13(7-81)





POTENTIAL HAZARDOUS WASTE SITE  
SITE INSPECTION REPORT

PART 3 - DESCRIPTION OF HAZARDOUS CONDITIONS AND INCIDENTS

I. IDENTIFICATION

01 STATE 02 SITE NUMBER

WA 0980185805

II. HAZARDOUS CONDITIONS AND INCIDENTS

01 ☒ A. GROUNDWATER CONTAMINATION

03 POPULATION POTENTIALLY AFFECTED 0

02 OBSERVED (DATE )

04 NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION

POTENTIAL

ALLEGED

Soil Samples of caustic disposal area showed no caustic PH contamination. Landfilled scrubber ashes have passed Eptox testing. No potential ground water contamination suspected.

01 ☒ B. SURFACE WATER CONTAMINATION

03 POPULATION POTENTIALLY AFFECTED 0

02 OBSERVED (DATE )

04 NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION

POTENTIAL

ALLEGED

None reported. Nearest SW is directly E. and NE of site (Yakima River). Facility has permitted NPDES discharges to the river. Records show violations of BOD/COD and PH.

01 ☒ C. CONTAMINATION OF AIR

03 POPULATION POTENTIALLY AFFECTED 0

02 OBSERVED (DATE )

04 NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION

POTENTIAL

ALLEGED

None reported. Facility has plywood plant. Air stripper is present on stacks.

01 ☒ D. FIRE/EXPLOSIVE CONDITIONS

03 POPULATION POTENTIALLY AFFECTED 0

02 OBSERVED (DATE )

04 NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION

POTENTIAL

ALLEGED

No known certified fire threat

01 ☒ E. DIRECT CONTACT

03 POPULATION POTENTIALLY AFFECTED 0

02 OBSERVED (DATE )

04 NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION

POTENTIAL

ALLEGED

Site is fenced on street side. Access via river is possible but chances of this are remote.

01 ☒ F. CONTAMINATION OF SOIL

03 AREA POTENTIALLY AFFECTED: 10-

02 OBSERVED (DATE )

04 NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION

POTENTIAL

ALLEGED

Soils are gravelly alluvium with high permeability. Asbestos and sodium hydroxide gelled glue caustic were buried on site. 1985 soil sampling showed no contamination of soil PH. Caustic is believed to have been neutralized.

01 ☒ G. DRINKING WATER CONTAMINATION

03 POPULATION POTENTIALLY AFFECTED

02 OBSERVED (DATE )

04 NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION

POTENTIAL

ALLEGED

None reported or suspected

01 ☒ H. WORKER EXPOSURE/INJURY

03 WORKERS POTENTIALLY AFFECTED

02 OBSERVED (DATE )

04 NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION

POTENTIAL

ALLEGED

No known threats to the workers through exposure to hazardous materials.

01 ☒ I. POPULATION EXPOSURE/INJURY

03 POPULATION POTENTIALLY AFFECTED

02 OBSERVED (DATE )

04 NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION

POTENTIAL

ALLEGED

None reported or suspected.





POTENTIAL HAZARDOUS WASTE SITE  
SITE INSPECTION REPORT  
PART 3 - DESCRIPTION OF HAZARDOUS CONDITIONS AND INCIDENTS

I. IDENTIFICATION

01 STATE WA 02 SITE NUMBER D980185805

II. HAZARDOUS CONDITIONS AND INCIDENTS (Continued)

01 ☒ J. DAMAGE TO FLORA  
04 NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION

02 OBSERVED (DATE )

☐ POTENTIAL

☐ ALLEGED

None reported or suspected.

01 ☒ K. DAMAGE TO FAUNA

04 NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION (include names of species)

02 OBSERVED (DATE )

☐ POTENTIAL

☐ ALLEGED

None reported or suspected.

01 ☒ L. CONTAMINATION OF FOOD CHAIN

04 NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION

02 OBSERVED (DATE )

☐ POTENTIAL

☐ ALLEGED

None Reported or suspected

01 ☒ M. UNSTABLE CONTAINMENT OF WASTES

(Spills, Runoff, Standing liquids, Leaking drums)

03 POPULATION POTENTIALLY AFFECTED

02 OBSERVED (DATE )

☐ POTENTIAL

☐ ALLEGED

04 NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION

Asbestos and caustic were landfilled in unlined pits in 1981.

01 ☒ N. DAMAGE TO OFFSITE PROPERTY

04 NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION

02 OBSERVED (DATE )

☐ POTENTIAL

☐ ALLEGED

None reported or suspected.

01 ☒ O. CONTAMINATION OF SEWERS, STORM DRAINS, WWTPs

04 NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION

02 OBSERVED (DATE )

☐ POTENTIAL

☐ ALLEGED

None reported; facility has permitted intermittent discharge from plywood plant evaporation pond to city sewer system.

01 ☒ P. ILLEGAL/UNAUTHORIZED DUMPING

04 NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION

02 OBSERVED (DATE )

☐ POTENTIAL

☐ ALLEGED

None reported or suspected.

05 DESCRIPTION OF ANY OTHER KNOWN, POTENTIAL, OR ALLEGED HAZARDS

None known.

III. TOTAL POPULATION POTENTIALLY AFFECTED:

IV. COMMENTS

Soil samples taken in 1981 by Boise showed no PH contamination from caustic. Stripperash has not failed Eptotoxicity testing and is being landfilled on site.

V. SOURCES OF INFORMATION (Cite specific references, e.g., state files, sample analysis reports)

EPA/ERRIS files; Ecology files 1984 USEPA preliminary assessment  
Yakima W&E Quad(1984 & 1953 USGS)





POTENTIAL HAZARDOUS WASTE SITE  
SITE INSPECTION  
PART 4 - PERMIT AND DESCRIPTIVE INFORMATION

I. IDENTIFICATION

01 STATE 02 SITE NUMBER  
WA B98018805

II. PERMIT INFORMATION

01 TYPE OF PERMIT ISSUED <small>(Check all that apply)</small>	02 PERMIT NUMBER	03 DATE ISSUED	04 EXPIRATION DATE	05 COMMENTS
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A. NPDES	WA-000141-4	May 17 '83	5-16-88	
<input type="checkbox"/> B. UIC	None			
<input type="checkbox"/> C. AIR	None			
<input type="checkbox"/> D. RCRA #	None			
<input type="checkbox"/> E. RCRA INTERIM STATUS	None			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> F. SPCC PLAN	NA	Aug. '85	Aug. '88	
<input type="checkbox"/> G. STATE <small>(Specify)</small>	None			
<input type="checkbox"/> H. LOCAL <small>(Specify)</small>	None			
<input type="checkbox"/> I. OTHER <small>(Specify)</small>	None			
<input type="checkbox"/> J. NONE				

III. SITE DESCRIPTION

01 STORAGE/ DISPOSAL <small>(Check all that apply)</small>	02 AMOUNT	03 UNIT OF MEASURE	04 TREATMENT <small>(Check all that apply)</small>	05 OTHER
<input type="checkbox"/> A. SURFACE IMPOUNDMENT			<input type="checkbox"/> A. INCINERATION	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A. BUILDINGS ON SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> B. PILES			<input type="checkbox"/> B. UNDERGROUND INJECTION	
<input type="checkbox"/> C. DRUMS, ABOVE GROUND			<input type="checkbox"/> C. CHEMICAL PHYSICAL	
<input type="checkbox"/> D. TANK, ABOVE GROUND			<input type="checkbox"/> D. BIOLOGICAL	
<input type="checkbox"/> E. TANK, BELOW GROUND			<input type="checkbox"/> E. WASTE OIL PROCESSING	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> F. LANDFILL	4.5	tons	<input type="checkbox"/> F. SOLVENT RECOVERY	06 AREA OF SITE less than 10 (Acres)
<input type="checkbox"/> G. LANDFARM			<input type="checkbox"/> G. OTHER RECYCLING RECOVERY	
<input type="checkbox"/> H. OPEN DUMP			<input type="checkbox"/> H. OTHER	
<input type="checkbox"/> I. OTHER <small>(Specify)</small>				

07 COMMENTS

Boise has permitted WPDES discharge to the Yakima River; there are documented violations of BODKOD and PH. There is also a permit for discharges to city sewer system from the plywood mill evaporation pond.

IV. CONTAINMENT

01 CONTAINMENT OF WASTES (Check all that apply)

<input type="checkbox"/> A. ADEQUATE, SECURE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> B. MODERATE	<input type="checkbox"/> C. INADEQUATE, POOR	<input type="checkbox"/> D. INSECURE, UNSOUND, DANGEROUS
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02 DESCRIPTION OF DRUMS, DIKING, LINERS, BARRIERS, ETC.

Wastes were landfilled in unlined pit. 1986 soil analyses done by Boise revealed no elevations in PH from caustic dumping.

V. ACCESSIBILITY

01 WASTE EASILY ACCESSIBLE ☐ YES ☒ NO

02 COMMENTS  
Waste is buried, site access is restricted, logs are piled on top of landfill site

VI. SOURCES OF INFORMATION (Date source, reference, etc. State last visit date)

1985 Aug. 1, Ecology site inspection. Ecology CRO files





POTENTIAL HAZARDOUS WASTE SITE  
SITE INSPECTION REPORT  
PART 5 - WATER, DEMOGRAPHIC, AND ENVIRONMENTAL DATA

I. IDENTIFICATION

01 STATE 02 SITE NUMBER  
WA B980185805

II. DRINKING WATER SUPPLY

01 TYPE OF DRINKING SUPPLY  
(Check as applicable)

SURFACE WELL  
COMMUNITY A. ☒ B. ☒  
NON-COMMUNITY C. ☐ D. ☐

02 STATUS

ENDANGERED AFFECTED MONITORED  
A. ☐ B. ☐ C. ☒  
D. ☐ E. ☐ F. ☐

03 DISTANCE TO SITE

less than  
A. 1 (mi)  
B. 3 (mi)

III. GROUNDWATER

01 GROUNDWATER USE IN VICINITY (Check one)

☐ A. ONLY SOURCE FOR DRINKING ☒ B. DRINKING  
(Other sources available)  
COMMERCIAL, INDUSTRIAL, IRRIGATION  
(No other water sources available)  
☐ C. COMMERCIAL, INDUSTRIAL, IRRIGATION  
(Limited other sources available)  
☐ D. NOT USED, UNUSEABLE

02 POPULATION SERVED BY GROUND WATER over 7000

03 DISTANCE TO NEAREST DRINKING WATER WELL on site (mi)

04 DEPTH TO GROUNDWATER

10 (ft)

05 DIRECTION OF GROUNDWATER FLOW

NE

06 DEPTH TO AQUIFER  
OF CONCERN

70 (ft)

07 POTENTIAL YIELD  
OF AQUIFER

(gpd)

08 SOLE SOURCE AQUIFER

☐ YES ☒ NO

09 DESCRIPTION OF WELLS (including usage, depth, and location relative to population and buildings)

There is an artesian well on site over 1000 ft. deep.

10 RECHARGE AREA

☐ YES  
☒ NO

COMMENTS

11 DISCHARGE AREA

☒ YES  
☐ NO

COMMENTS 12 flowing artesian wells  
in area

IV. SURFACE WATER

01 SURFACE WATER USE (Check one)

☐ A. RESERVOIR, RECREATION  
DRINKING WATER SOURCE ☒ B. IRRIGATION, ECONOMICALLY  
IMPORTANT RESOURCES ☐ C. COMMERCIAL, INDUSTRIAL ☐ D. NOT CURRENTLY USED

02 AFFECTED POTENTIALLY AFFECTED BODIES OF WATER

NAME

Yakima River

AFFECTED

DISTANCE TO SITE

more than 1 (mi)

V. DEMOGRAPHIC AND PROPERTY INFORMATION

01 TOTAL POPULATION WITHIN

ONE (1) MILE OF SITE  
A. 4700  
NO. OF PERSONS

TWO (2) MILES OF SITE  
B. 40,000  
NO. OF PERSONS

THREE (3) MILES OF SITE  
C. 48,500  
NO. OF PERSONS

02 DISTANCE TO NEAREST POPULATION

more than 1/4 (mi)

03 NUMBER OF BUILDINGS WITHIN TWO (2) MILES OF SITE

less than 2600

04 DISTANCE TO NEAREST OFF-SITE BUILDING

more than 1/4 (mi)

05 POPULATION WITHIN VICINITY OF SITE (Provide narrative description of nature of population within vicinity of site, e.g. rural, village, densely populated urban area)

Site is in a mixed residential/commercial area of NE Yakima. Three parks and five schools are within one mile.





POTENTIAL HAZARDOUS WASTE SITE  
SITE INSPECTION REPORT  
PART 5 - WATER, DEMOGRAPHIC, AND ENVIRONMENTAL DATA

I. IDENTIFICATION  
01 STATE 02 SITE NUMBER  
WA B980185805

VI. ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION

01 PERMEABILITY OF UNSATURATED ZONE (Check one)

☐ A.  $10^{-8} - 10^{-6}$  cm/sec ☐ B.  $10^{-4} - 10^{-6}$  cm/sec ☐ C.  $10^{-4} - 10^{-3}$  cm/sec ☒ D. GREATER THAN  $10^{-3}$  cm/sec

02 PERMEABILITY OF BEDROCK (Check one)

☒ A. IMPERMEABLE (Less than  $10^{-6}$  cm/sec) ☐ B. RELATIVELY IMPERMEABLE ( $10^{-4} - 10^{-6}$  cm/sec) ☐ C. RELATIVELY PERMEABLE ( $10^{-2} - 10^{-4}$  cm/sec) ☐ D. VERY PERMEABLE (Greater than  $10^{-2}$  cm/sec)

03 DEPTH TO BEDROCK

04 DEPTH OF CONTAMINATED SOIL ZONE

05 SOIL pH

\_\_\_\_\_ (ft)

NA \_\_\_\_\_ (ft)

6.6-7.8

06 NET PRECIPITATION

07 ONE YEAR 24 HOUR RAINFALL

08 SLOPE

SITE SLOPE

DIRECTION OF SITE SLOPE

TERRAIN AVERAGE SLOPE

-16.9" (in)

1" (in)

0 %

0 %

09 FLOOD POTENTIAL

10

SITE IS IN

YEAR FLOODPLAIN

SITE IS ON BARRIER ISLAND, COASTAL HIGH HAZARD AREA, RIVERINE FLOODWAY

11 DISTANCE TO WETLANDS (5 ac or more minimum)

ESTUARINE

OTHER

\* A  $\frac{1}{4}$  (mi)

B \_\_\_\_\_ (mi)

12 DISTANCE TO CRITICAL HABITAT (of endangered species)

none (mi)

state designated species of  
ENDANGERED SPECIES: concern

13 LAND USE IN VICINITY

DISTANCE TO:

COMMERCIAL/INDUSTRIAL

RESIDENTIAL AREAS, NATIONAL/STATE PARKS,  
FORESTS, OR WILDLIFE RESERVES

AGRICULTURAL LANDS  
PRIME AG LAND AG LAND

more than

more than

less than

A  $\frac{1}{4}$  (mi)

B  $\frac{1}{4}$  (mi)

C 1 (mi) D \_\_\_\_\_ (mi)

14 DESCRIPTION OF SITE IN RELATION TO SURROUNDING TOPOGRAPHY:

The Yakima River is west of the site within 1/16 mile. There is a 10% gradient slope in this direction towards the river. There is a 0% site slope gradient. Directly to the west of the site there is a residential area.

\* There 15 acres of palustrine emergent wetlands  $\frac{1}{4}$  mile North of this facility

VII. SOURCES OF INFORMATION (Cite specific references, e.g. state files, sample analysis reports)

NOAA Climatological Survey 1985, USGS soil Conservation Bulletin.  
Yakima Boise Cascade Sources

\*See Attachment\*





POTENTIAL HAZARDOUS WASTE SITE  
SITE INSPECTION REPORT  
PART 6 - SAMPLE AND FIELD INFORMATION

I. IDENTIFICATION

01 STATE 02 SITE NUMBER  
WA D980185805

II. SAMPLES TAKEN

SAMPLE TYPE	01 NUMBER OF SAMPLES TAKEN	02 SAMPLES SENT TO	03 ESTIMATED DATE RESULTS AVAILABLE
GROUNDWATER	11*		
SURFACE WATER			
WASTE			
AIR			
RUNOFF			
SPILL		*Samples were collected and analyzed for PH by Boise Cascade in area of landfill. No PH contamination was detected.	
SOIL			
VEGETATION			
OTHER			

III. FIELD MEASUREMENTS TAKEN

01 TYPE	02 COMMENTS

IV. PHOTOGRAPHS AND MAPS

01 TYPE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GROUND <input type="checkbox"/> AERIAL	02 IN CUSTODY OF Ecology <small>(Name of organization or individual)</small>
03 MAPS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	04 LOCATION OF MAPS in Ecology 1987 Report

V. OTHER FIELD DATA COLLECTED (Provide narrative description)

VI. SOURCES OF INFORMATION (Provide list of references and state how sample analysis reports)

November 1985 Superfund notification reclassification request, Boise Cascade, prepared by Environmental and Energy Services.  
Ecology August 1, 1986 site Inspection.





POTENTIAL HAZARDOUS WASTE SITE  
SITE INSPECTION REPORT  
PART 7 - OWNER INFORMATION

I. IDENTIFICATION

01 STATE 02 SITE NUMBER  
WA D 980185805

II. CURRENT OWNER(S)				PARENT COMPANY (If applicable)			
01 NAME		02 D+B NUMBER		08 NAME		09 D+B NUMBER	
Boise Cascade							
03 STREET ADDRESS (P.O. Box, RFD #, etc.)		04 SIC CODE		10 STREET ADDRESS (P.O. Box, RFD #, etc.)		11 SIC CODE	
805 N. 7th St.							
05 CITY	06 STATE	07 ZIP CODE		12 CITY	13 STATE	14 ZIP CODE	
Yakima	WA	98901					
01 NAME		02 D+B NUMBER		08 NAME		09 D+B NUMBER	
03 STREET ADDRESS (P.O. Box, RFD #, etc.)		04 SIC CODE		10 STREET ADDRESS (P.O. Box, RFD #, etc.)		11 SIC CODE	
05 CITY	06 STATE	07 ZIP CODE		12 CITY	13 STATE	14 ZIP CODE	
01 NAME		02 D+B NUMBER		08 NAME		09 D+B NUMBER	
03 STREET ADDRESS (P.O. Box, RFD #, etc.)		04 SIC CODE		10 STREET ADDRESS (P.O. Box, RFD #, etc.)		11 SIC CODE	
05 CITY	06 STATE	07 ZIP CODE		12 CITY	13 STATE	14 ZIP CODE	
01 NAME		02 D+B NUMBER		08 NAME		09 D+B NUMBER	
03 STREET ADDRESS (P.O. Box, RFD #, etc.)		04 SIC CODE		10 STREET ADDRESS (P.O. Box, RFD #, etc.)		11 SIC CODE	
05 CITY	06 STATE	07 ZIP CODE		12 CITY	13 STATE	14 ZIP CODE	
III. PREVIOUS OWNER(S) (List most recent first)				IV. REALTY OWNER(S) (If applicable, list most recent first)			
01 NAME		02 D+B NUMBER		01 NAME		02 D+B NUMBER	
03 STREET ADDRESS (P.O. Box, RFD #, etc.)		04 SIC CODE		03 STREET ADDRESS (P.O. Box, RFD #, etc.)		04 SIC CODE	
05 CITY	06 STATE	07 ZIP CODE		05 CITY	06 STATE	07 ZIP CODE	
01 NAME		02 D+B NUMBER		01 NAME		02 D+B NUMBER	
03 STREET ADDRESS (P.O. Box, RFD #, etc.)		04 SIC CODE		03 STREET ADDRESS (P.O. Box, RFD #, etc.)		04 SIC CODE	
05 CITY	06 STATE	07 ZIP CODE		05 CITY	06 STATE	07 ZIP CODE	
01 NAME		02 D+B NUMBER		01 NAME		02 D+B NUMBER	
03 STREET ADDRESS (P.O. Box, RFD #, etc.)		04 SIC CODE		03 STREET ADDRESS (P.O. Box, RFD #, etc.)		04 SIC CODE	
05 CITY	06 STATE	07 ZIP CODE		05 CITY	06 STATE	07 ZIP CODE	
V. SOURCES OF INFORMATION (Cite specific references, e.g., state files, sample analysis, reports)							





POTENTIAL HAZARDOUS WASTE SITE  
SITE INSPECTION REPORT  
PART 8 - OPERATOR INFORMATION

I. IDENTIFICATION

01 STATE 02 SITE NUMBER  
WA 980185805

II. CURRENT OPERATOR (Provide if different from owner)

OPERATOR'S PARENT COMPANY (If applicable)

01 NAME Boise Cascade Corporation	02 D+B NUMBER	10 NAME Boise Cascade Corporation	11 D+B NUMBER
03 STREET ADDRESS (P.O. Box, RFD #, etc.) 805 N. 7th Street	04 SIC CODE 2421/2436	12 STREET ADDRESS (P.O. Box, RFD #, etc.) P.O. Box 8328	13 SIC CODE NA
05 CITY Yakima	06 STATE WA	07 ZIP CODE 98901	14 CITY Boise
15 STATE ID	16 ZIP CODE 83707		
08 YEARS OF OPERATION 30+	09 NAME OF OWNER Boise Cascade Corporation		

III. PREVIOUS OPERATOR(S) (List most recent first, provide only if different from owner)

PREVIOUS OPERATORS' PARENT COMPANIES (If applicable)

01 NAME NONE	02 D+B NUMBER	10 NAME	11 D+B NUMBER
03 STREET ADDRESS (P.O. Box, RFD #, etc.)	04 SIC CODE	12 STREET ADDRESS (P.O. Box, RFD #, etc.)	13 SIC CODE
05 CITY	06 STATE	07 ZIP CODE	14 CITY
15 STATE	16 ZIP CODE		
08 YEARS OF OPERATION	09 NAME OF OWNER DURING THIS PERIOD		

01 NAME	02 D+B NUMBER	10 NAME	11 D+B NUMBER
03 STREET ADDRESS (P.O. Box, RFD #, etc.)	04 SIC CODE	12 STREET ADDRESS (P.O. Box, RFD #, etc.)	13 SIC CODE
05 CITY	06 STATE	07 ZIP CODE	14 CITY
15 STATE	16 ZIP CODE		
08 YEARS OF OPERATION	09 NAME OF OWNER DURING THIS PERIOD		

01 NAME	02 D+B NUMBER	10 NAME	11 D+B NUMBER
03 STREET ADDRESS (P.O. Box, RFD #, etc.)	04 SIC CODE	12 STREET ADDRESS (P.O. Box, RFD #, etc.)	13 SIC CODE
05 CITY	06 STATE	07 ZIP CODE	14 CITY
15 STATE	16 ZIP CODE		
08 YEARS OF OPERATION	09 NAME OF OWNER DURING THIS PERIOD		

IV. SOURCES OF INFORMATION (Cite specific references, e.g., state files, sample analysis, reports)

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POTENTIAL HAZARDOUS WASTE SITE  
SITE INSPECTION REPORT  
PART 9 - GENERATOR/TRANSPORTER INFORMATION

I. IDENTIFICATION

01 STATE 02 SITE NUMBER  
WA D 980185805

II. ON-SITE GENERATOR

01 NAME Boise Cascade Corporation	02 D+B NUMBER
03 STREET ADDRESS (P.O. Box, RFD #, etc.) 805 N. 7th Street	04 SIC CODE 2421/2436
05 CITY Yakima	06 STATE 07 ZIP CODE WA 98901

III. OFF-SITE GENERATOR(S)

01 NAME NA	02 D+B NUMBER	01 NAME	02 D+B NUMBER
03 STREET ADDRESS (P.O. Box, RFD #, etc.)	04 SIC CODE	03 STREET ADDRESS (P.O. Box, RFD #, etc.)	04 SIC CODE
05 CITY	06 STATE 07 ZIP CODE	05 CITY	06 STATE 07 ZIP CODE
01 NAME	02 D+B NUMBER	01 NAME	02 D+B NUMBER
03 STREET ADDRESS (P.O. Box, RFD #, etc.)	04 SIC CODE	03 STREET ADDRESS (P.O. Box, RFD #, etc.)	04 SIC CODE
05 CITY	06 STATE 07 ZIP CODE	05 CITY	06 STATE 07 ZIP CODE

IV. TRANSPORTER(S)

01 NAME	02 D+B NUMBER	01 NAME	02 D+B NUMBER
03 STREET ADDRESS (P.O. Box, RFD #, etc.)	04 SIC CODE	03 STREET ADDRESS (P.O. Box, RFD #, etc.)	04 SIC CODE
05 CITY	06 STATE 07 ZIP CODE	05 CITY	06 STATE 07 ZIP CODE
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V. SOURCES OF INFORMATION (Cite specific references, e.g., state files, sample analysis, reports)

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PART 10 - PAST RESPONSE ACTIVITIES

I. IDENTIFICATION

01 STATE 02 SITE NUMBER  
WA D980185805

II. PAST RESPONSE ACTIVITIES

01 ☒ A. WATER SUPPLY CLOSED  
04 DESCRIPTION

02 DATE

03 AGENCY

NONE

01 ☒ B. TEMPORARY WATER SUPPLY PROVIDED  
04 DESCRIPTION

02 DATE

03 AGENCY

NONE

01 ☒ C. PERMANENT WATER SUPPLY PROVIDED  
04 DESCRIPTION

02 DATE

03 AGENCY

NONE

01 ☒ D. SPILLED MATERIAL REMOVED  
04 DESCRIPTION

02 DATE

03 AGENCY

NONE

01 ☒ E. CONTAMINATED SOIL REMOVED  
04 DESCRIPTION

02 DATE

03 AGENCY

NONE

01 ☒ F. WASTE REPACKAGED  
04 DESCRIPTION

02 DATE

03 AGENCY

NONE

01 ☒ G. WASTE DISPOSED ELSEWHERE  
04 DESCRIPTION

02 DATE

03 AGENCY

NONE

01 ☒ H. ON SITE BURIAL  
04 DESCRIPTION

02 DATE

03 AGENCY

Caustic wastes, asbestos and air stripper ash landfilled on site

01 ☒ I. IN SITU CHEMICAL TREATMENT  
04 DESCRIPTION

02 DATE

03 AGENCY

NONE

01 ☒ J. IN SITU BIOLOGICAL TREATMENT  
04 DESCRIPTION

02 DATE

03 AGENCY

NONE

01 ☒ K. IN SITU PHYSICAL TREATMENT  
04 DESCRIPTION

02 DATE

03 AGENCY

NONE

01 ☒ L. ENCAPSULATION  
04 DESCRIPTION

02 DATE

03 AGENCY

NONE

01 ☒ M. EMERGENCY WASTE TREATMENT  
04 DESCRIPTION

02 DATE

03 AGENCY

NONE

01 ☒ N. CUTOFF WALLS  
04 DESCRIPTION

02 DATE

03 AGENCY

NONE

01 ☒ O. EMERGENCY DIKING SURFACE WATER DIVERSION  
04 DESCRIPTION

02 DATE

03 AGENCY

NONE

01 ☒ P. CUTOFF TRENCHES SUMP  
04 DESCRIPTION

02 DATE

03 AGENCY

NONE

01 ☒ Q. SUBSURFACE CUTOFF WALL  
04 DESCRIPTION

02 DATE

03 AGENCY

NONE



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PART 10 - PAST RESPONSE ACTIVITIES

I. IDENTIFICATION

01 STATE WA 02 SITE NUMBER D980185805

II PAST RESPONSE ACTIVITIES (Continued)

01 ☒ R. BARRIER WALLS CONSTRUCTED  
04 DESCRIPTION

02 DATE \_\_\_\_\_

03 AGENCY \_\_\_\_\_

NONE

01 ☒ S. CAPPING/COVERING  
04 DESCRIPTION

02 DATE \_\_\_\_\_

03 AGENCY \_\_\_\_\_

NONE

01 ☒ T. BULK TANKAGE REPAIRED  
04 DESCRIPTION

02 DATE \_\_\_\_\_

03 AGENCY \_\_\_\_\_

NONE

01 ☒ U. GROUT CURTAIN CONSTRUCTED  
04 DESCRIPTION

02 DATE \_\_\_\_\_

03 AGENCY \_\_\_\_\_

NONE

01 ☒ V. BOTTOM SEALED  
04 DESCRIPTION

02 DATE \_\_\_\_\_

03 AGENCY \_\_\_\_\_

NONE

01 ☒ W. GAS CONTROL  
04 DESCRIPTION

02 DATE \_\_\_\_\_

03 AGENCY \_\_\_\_\_

NONE

01 ☒ X. FIRE CONTROL  
04 DESCRIPTION

02 DATE \_\_\_\_\_

03 AGENCY \_\_\_\_\_

NONE

01 ☒ Y. LEACHATE TREATMENT  
04 DESCRIPTION

02 DATE \_\_\_\_\_

03 AGENCY \_\_\_\_\_

NONE

01 ☒ Z. AREA EVACUATED  
04 DESCRIPTION

02 DATE \_\_\_\_\_

03 AGENCY \_\_\_\_\_

NONE

01 ☒ 1. ACCESS TO SITE RESTRICTED  
04 DESCRIPTION

02 DATE \_\_\_\_\_

03 AGENCY \_\_\_\_\_

NONE

01 ☒ 2. POPULATION RELOCATED  
04 DESCRIPTION

02 DATE \_\_\_\_\_

03 AGENCY \_\_\_\_\_

NONE

01 ☒ 3. OTHER REMEDIAL ACTIVITIES  
04 DESCRIPTION

02 DATE \_\_\_\_\_

03 AGENCY \_\_\_\_\_

No remedial activities have taken place at this facility

III. SOURCES OF INFORMATION (Cite specific references, e.g., state files, sample analysis reports)

Ecology CRO Files, 8/1/86 Ecology Site Inspection, USEPA CERCLIS files and 1984 USEPA preliminary assessment report.





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PART 11 - ENFORCEMENT INFORMATION

I. IDENTIFICATION

01 STATE 02 SITE NUMBER  
WA D080185805

II. ENFORCEMENT INFORMATION

01 PAST REGULATORY ENFORCEMENT ACTION YES ☒ NO

02 DESCRIPTION OF FEDERAL, STATE, LOCAL REGULATORY ENFORCEMENT ACTION

There is no record of regularoty action having been taken at this facility.  
Violations of NPDES discharge parameters to the Yakima River for COD/BOD and  
PH are noted in Ecology CRO files

III. SOURCES OF INFORMATION (Cite specific references, e.g., state files, sample analysis, reports)

USEPA 1984 preliminary Assessment, Ecology DRO files, 8/1/86  
Ecology Site Inspection



## ATTACHMENT

### Yakima Boise Cascade Sources

- 05 Soil Survey of Yakima Co. (S.C.S.)  
Description of site and well logs in preliminary site assessment
- 06 Plate 2 Mean Annual precipitation in WA, 1930-1957, U.S. Weather bureau (1965); Evapotranspiration maps for state of Washington, U.S. Weather Bureau, Office of State Climatologists, Seattle/U.S. Department of Agriculture, Soil Conservation Service, Spokane
- 07 "10" Isopleths of 2-year 24-hour precipitation in tenths of inches annually; prepared by Department of Commerce for Department of Agriculture.
- 11 National Wetlands Inventory Map  
U.S. Fish & Wildlife  
Yakima East and West Quads
- 12 Natural Heritage Data System  
Washington Department of Natural Resources and Department of Game -  
Nongame Wildlife Program  
c/o Mail Stop EX-12  
Olympia, WA 98504
- 13 Yakima East and West Quads  
USGS Topographical Maps





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division, views of the lumber  
mill and plywood facilities.

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